



MAYOR AND COUNCIL AGENDA

NO. 9A

DEPT.: Public Works / Operations Maintenance DATE PREPARED: June 7, 2005
STAFF CONTACT: Byron Turner FOR MEETING OF: June 13, 2005

SUBJECT:

Rejection of Bid #52-05, Hauling of Debris.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends rejection of the only bid submitted, from Aaron's Trucking, Inc. of Gaithersburg, Maryland, because the bid submitted exceeds the available budget.

DISCUSSION:

Background

Staff prepared and publicly advertised Bid #52-05, titled "Hauling of Debris" for Fiscal Year 2006. Notification of the bid was mailed to 24 companies, including three Rockville firms. Bid notification also was posted on the City's Web site.

The bid received was publicly opened on Wednesday, May 11, 2005. The bid received was as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Aaron's Trucking Inc.	Gaithersburg, Maryland	\$112,500

The available budget for hauling of debris is \$56,676.

Staff evaluated the bid prices received and reviewed all references provided. Staff determined that Aaron's Trucking Inc. pricing of \$350 per 20-ton load for removal of debris from the Public Works Maintenance Facility and \$500 per one-ton load for removal of debris from various residential locations within the limits of the City of Rockville was an increase of more than 257% over last year's prices.

In the past, only a total of three responses have been received: Aaron's Trucking Inc of Gaithersburg, Maryland; Legal Personnel of Laurel, Maryland; and A2Z Environmental of Baltimore, Maryland. Staff from the City's Purchasing Division contacted the two other companies that had responded to the City's bid for hauling of debris in the past. Legal Personnel said that they never received the bid package. Staff confirmed that the package was sent to the correct mailing address via the U.S. Postal Service. Staff from the City's Purchasing Division has made several attempts to contact A2Z Environmental, but has been unsuccessful.

Options Considered:

Purchasing staff has located a Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) contract #44-08 for hauling debris service and determined that the contract is feasible for the City to piggyback. The City will award a contract to Earth Hauler Trucking Inc. of Landover Maryland for the removal of debris from the Public Works Maintenance Facility in the amount of not to exceed \$188.92 per 20-ton load for a total of not to exceed \$56,676 annually. Since the WSSC contract does not provide hauling of debris from residential locations, staff will obtain quotes using the Request for Quotation process.

Fiscal Impact:

The only bid response exceeded the available budget for hauling of debris.

Next Steps:

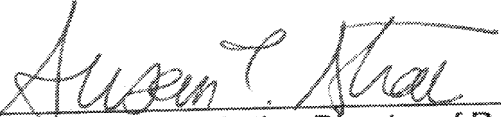
The Purchasing Division will issue a rejection letter.

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Byron Turner, Operations Maint. Supt.

6/7/2005
Date

CONCUR: 
Eileen Morris, Contracts Officer

6/7/05
Date

APPROVE: 
Susan T. Straus, Acting Director of Public Works

6/7/05
Date

APPROVE: 
Scott Ullery, City Manager

6/8/05
Date

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

None



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NO. 9B

DEPT.: Recreation and Parks
STAFF CONTACT: Burt Hall

DATE PREPARED: June 1, 2005
FOR MEETING OF: June 13, 2005

SUBJECT: Approve New Name for Rockville Arts Place, as proposed by the Board of Directors of Rockville Arts Place. The proposed new name is: "Metropolitan Center for the Visual Arts at Rockville."

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Directors of Rockville Arts Place recommends a new name for their organization: "Metropolitan Center for the Visual Arts at Rockville." Their proposal and recommendation are further explained in the attached letter to the Mayor and Council.

DISCUSSION: Rockville Arts Place (RAP) Board members raised the issue of consideration for a name change for their organization during the negotiations for the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between RAP and the City that outlines the agreement for RAP to occupy two floors plus first floor retail space in the planned Cultural Arts Building. The MOU states: "The City has the right to approve any change to RAP's name – Rockville Art's Place."

Options Considered: The Rockville Arts Place Board considered a list of alternative names in their process of developing this proposal.

PREPARED BY: Burt Hall, Director of Recreation and Parks

APPROVED BY:

Scott Ullery, City Manager

Date

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS:

- Letter from Rockville Arts Place Board of Directors to the Mayor and Council



Dear Mayor Giammo and Council members,

The Board of Directors has chosen a new name for Rockville Arts Place. The decision to change the name was made so that we could better communicate our mission of expanding our education programming, exhibitions, resident artists, and outreach to local, national, and even international audiences.

As our arts programs continue to expand and reach new audiences, we felt it was important that the name of our organization reflect our purpose, to enrich lives of children, adults and artists through the visual arts.

The decision to change our name - "Metropolitan Center for the Visual Arts at Rockville" was carefully thought out and the name went through a 'focus group' type testing with many different groups of people. We received a very positive response each time to the proposed name change.

Our new name will enable us to grow in many ways and will allow us to gain more national foundation funding than we have in the past. This name communicates exactly who we are and what we do which is critical to building the awareness, excitement and audiences for the art center. In addition, a name change would not only have a positive affect on the image of our business and our unanimous vision of our future, but will bring more people to downtown Rockville creating a more vibrant Town Center for all of us.

Our capital campaign is well underway and our May 24th event at the home of Deena and Jerry Kaplan was a huge success. It is interesting to note that many people who live outside the city and who came to the event are excited about the Town Center project as much as we are and are contributing financially to the new art center.

We are respectfully asking that our organization's name be changed to "Metropolitan Center for the Visual Arts at Rockville".

Thank you,

Norman Mitchell
President

Debra Moser
Executive Director